appropriate to effectuate the policies of this subtitle. Both the plaintiff and defendant in the action shall have the same rights of appeal as are provided by law in other injunction proceedings.

8-703.

A public agency may not authorize or make any payments to a person under a contract containing a provision required by § 8-702 of this subtitle unless the public agency is satisfied that the person has fully complied with the provision. Payments made to a person by a public agency which should not have been made as a result of this section shall be recoverable to the full extent of the contract by the Attorney General directly from the person who did not comply with § 8-702 upon a suit filed in the circuit court of the county [or Baltimore City court] with law and equity jurisdiction in which the contract was executed or performed.

Article 23 - Miscellaneous Companies

208.

It shall be lawful for any railroad company incorporated under the laws of this State, to lease its railroad and franchise for the operation thereof to any other railroad company incorporated under the laws of this or of any other state of the United States whose railroad, within or without this State, shall, either directly or by means of intervening line, connect with the railroad so to be leased to said company, and thus forming a continuous route or routes for the transportation of persons and property[, and it shall also be lawful for any]. ANY railroad company incorporated under the laws of this State [to] MAY become the lessee of the railroad and the franchises for its operation of any other railroad company incorporated under the laws of this or of any other state of the United States whose railroad, within or without this State, shall, either directly or by means of intervening line, connect with the railroad of the lessee company, and thus forming a continuous route or routes for the transportation of persons and property[; provided, however, that nothing in this]. THIS section [shall] DOES NOT authorize any company incorporated under the laws of this State to lease its railroad to any railroad company whose railroad within this State competes with the railroad of the lessor company, nor shall any railroad company incorporated under the laws of this State become the lessee of any railroad which competes in this State with the railroad of the lessor company[; and provided further, that the]. agreement of lease [shall] MAY not contain any provisions in conflict with the provisions of this article of the Code, or which will exempt [said] THE railroad, so far as it lies within this State, from the operation of the laws of this